

When they saw

THE STAR, *they rejoiced*
exceedingly with great joy.

Matthew 2:10

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

4746 SW 21st Street, Topeka, Kansas 66604

Invites you to join us for
EPIPHANY SUNDAY
JANUARY 2, 2022

Our worship service begins at 10:30 a.m.

Join us **IN-PERSON** or

watch our **LIVESTREAM** service on Facebook at:

<https://www.facebook.com/TrinityTopeka/>

or on our

Trinity website at: <https://trinitypresbyterian.net/>

[facebook-live-stream-videos/](https://trinitypresbyterian.net/facebook-live-stream-videos/)

LECTIONARY

FOR THIS SUNDAY

ISAIAH 43:1-7, 19-20
MATTHEW 2:1-12

TUESDAYS WITH THE WORD

Please join us in the new year for a coffee and spiritual fellowship time with Pastor Mere. We meet on Tuesdays, at 9:00 AM at the coffee shop at 21st and Belle, Cafe Quetzal. Join us for this very casual time of fellowship.

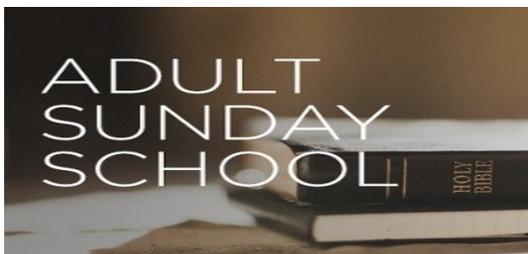


Page Turners **WILL NOT MEET** during the month of January.

Please plan to **join us again in February**, when we will begin

Sacred Earth, Sacred Soul by John Philip Newell

Contact Carol Thomas (785-357-1472) for questions.



9:30 A.M. ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
IN-PERSON AND ON-LINE

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HARVESTERS
COMMUNITY FOOD NETWORK

HARVESTERS food is distributed the 2nd Monday of every month at Trinity Presbyterian Church in the paved parking lot. Distribution is on a first come/first served basis until all the food is given out. We start at 12 pm. The next drive is **Monday, January 10, 2021.**

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

Contact Stan McAdoo or call the church at 272-2620.

The Mission Committee has another way Trinity can be of service to those in need!

As the Topeka Rescue Mission volunteers hand out food every week to those who are hungry, people are asking if they have any blankets now that it is getting cold.

Do you have a clean, gently used (not new) blanket or sleeping bag in your linen closet? If you would be willing to part with it, please bring it to the church lobby and place it either in one of the donation boxes or next to them. We will have them delivered to the Rescue Mission.

Thanks so much for helping someone keep warm this winter!



The **CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING** is one way we join together as Presbyterians from around the country to meet the needs of vulnerable people we might not be able to meet face to face but who need our support. The gifts we share connect us and also change lives.



Please consider a generous gift to the Christmas Joy Offering going on now through the end of December. This offering supports our past, present and future church leaders. You can find information and donation envelopes in the church pews and on the visitor's desk. Thank you. This is a commitment of the Presbyterian Church for nearly 140 years. **Checks should be made to Trinity Presbyterian Church with the notation "Christmas Joy Offering" in the memo line.** Please give generously, for "if we all do a little – *together* – it adds **up to a lot.**"



Final 2021
Financial Contributions

Please turn in all
2021 Financial contributions
as soon as possible.

Contributions received
after December 29, 2021
will be posted to 2022.

Pre-Paid 2022
Financial Commitments

Please indicate on your
check
that it is for
your 2022 Pledge.

2021 GIVING STATEMENTS
will be mailed in January so you have
them for your tax preparation.

2022 Pledge Envelopes
(Monthly or Weekly)
are now available in the foyer
or by contacting the
Church Office or Carol Shannahan.

Funerals and memorial services are an opportunity for our congregation to support the bereaved through hospitality. Beginning January 20, 2022, a newly re-organized FUNERAL HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE will assume oversight for funeral receptions and luncheons. The Deacons will continue to offer meals and other pastoral care to the family during times of crisis, such as illness and or death, as well as in times of joy, such as the birth of a baby.

TONI FARRELL-HIGGINS, IRIS NEUENSWANDER, AND LYNN WEAVER
will be the Funeral Hospitality Co-Chairs.

If you would like to be on the contact list to volunteer bringing a dessert or side dish for serve for a funeral reception, please let one of the hospitality co-chairs, or Karen Meenen, know.

**SHARED JOY IS
A DOUBLE JOY;
SHARED SORROW
IS HALF A SORROW.**

Proverb

FORGOTTEN EVANGELIST

If you are like most of us, before you go shopping, go out to eat, or even when you are just thinking about looking something up, what do you do? No seriously, what do you do?

Well, if you are like the vast majority of us you pull out your device or log on and start surfing (the Web of course, not actual waves) the internet to see: Are they open? What are the deals? Where are they located? Do they have the XYZ I am looking for? Is this a nice place? Can I get there from here? And a host of other need to know items.

OK, so if we do that for the rest of our life, do we, or perhaps more importantly, others do the same thing when looking at Churches?

Of course, they do. And IF people are looking, (which they are) we want/need/MUST have the MOST accurate, engaging, and user friendly site and information. You know, the stuff that makes people know who Trinity IS before they even step in our doors.

So, what can YOU do? All of us have the opportunity and the responsibility to make sure the website information is correct, current, and engaging.

HOW DO I DO THAT?

Great question. Make sure Becky and the Church office knows your information so the calendar can be updated.
Office@trinitypresbyterian.net

Committees and small groups, make sure to also let Michael Langfitt know so he can update the website. MLangf2300@gmail.com

Our Website is the FORGOTTEN EVANGELIST that should be our first contact with many seekers, visitors, and people just looking for a Church, or the services we provide.

We do GREAT stuff, let's make sure the WORLD knows about it!



Joys and Concerns -Jan 2, 2022

Ongoing Concerns:

Carolyn Burns
Cheryl Lindstrom
Chuck Pullen
Helen Rhodes
Jim Jenkins
John Eddy
Joyce Adcock
Jessie Zimmerman
Judy and Carl Rundell
Kay Wildman
Marjorie Marrs
Marilyn Leinacker and family (Audrey and Jacob Barnard)
Marilyn Watt
Martha Benignus
Pat Thomblison & Kathleen Thompson
Pam Oroke
Rose Fritz
Ruth Jenkins
Virginia Pelton
Wendy Pullen

Our troops overseas
Becky Jones' friends, Janice Pechacek & Cheryl Arney; Becky Schooler's sister-in-law, Jill; Brad Stipcak's mother, Beverly, brother, Brett, sister-in-law, Jaime Stipcak, and nephew, Riley Stipcak; Carmen Raines' cousin, Alison, friend, Mark and family friend, Gage; Carol Shannahan's mother, Anita & friend, Wanda; Carolyn Burns' sister-in-law, Carol Jessop; Carrie & Art Lancaster's daughter, Grace Ray; Cathy Headworth's aunt, Niece Bell; Elise (Higgins') friend, Katy Everitt; Iris Neuenswander's sister, Rosalee; Jaron Marcus' mother, Sherilyn; Karen Botkin; Kay & Ralph Howard's stepbrother, Max Hall, nephew in-law Doug; Karen Botkins, Line Dance Instructor; Kay Wildman's niece, Renee Wohletz; Lettie Karlson's friend, K.C; Maddie Mellies' stepfather, Dave Leinweber; Marilyn Leinacker's daughter, Lisa; Mary Nestor's sister-in-law, Susan Nestor and sister, Kay Fessler; Nelson Spaulding's daughter, Deborah Harris; Rev. Mike Kuner; Ruth & Jim Jenkins' great niece, Kaila, friend, Laura Louna, brother-in-law, Jim, sister, Donna's grandson, Chase, friends JP & Peter, and great niece & husband, Michelle & Tony; Toni Farrell-Higgins' mother, Loretta Farrell & Son-in-Law, Zimmerman family



Membership Questions

Membership is \$30 per calendar year, pre-pay in December or by January 15th (to maximize benefits). The benefits of membership are:

Reduced fee for Adventures in Learning. (\$25 members; \$30 regular fee)

Eligible for Travelers field trips, day trips, summer vacation.

Free SCT Membership Directory.

You **do not need to be a member** to participate in our Activity Groups.

Because we are a community ministry, **we do not charge** for our group activities. Our host locations do not charge us, and we pass it on. However, many people become members to support the Shepherd's Center in its mission.

We are a **volunteer run organization**, and your help is needed. When you volunteer, you are eligible for the annual volunteer banquet and volunteers get first preference for the annual vacation. Volunteers are very important to the Shepherd's Center, and all aspects of SCT is run by volunteers whose efforts are coordinated by the Director.

Guest Policy

There is no charge for attending Activity Groups. You can attend one FREE Friday at "Adventures in Learning" (AiL) as a guest. You will need to register by mail or online. Please check in at the registration table for your guest name tag.

If you decide to attend other "AiL" classes you will need to pay \$30 registration fee, unless you become a member and then the cost is \$25. It doesn't cost anything to check us out — We would love for you to join us.



Travelers Club - Members Only

A benefit to membership is the Travelers Club. Members will have first opportunity to fill the buses on day trips, and summer vacation before a designated deadline, or filled. If space is still available by deadline, the trip may be open to non-members. If you would like to attend trips, please contact Oneta at greatourrs@gmail.com or 785-633-8761. More information to come.

Planned Trips for 2022

March – Day Trip – The March tour is to the Negro League Baseball Museum, KC Jazz Museum and also the Federal Reserve. Lunch will be at Andres near the Plaza.

June – Day Trip – Brownville Riverboat/Theatre
Summer Vacation – Kentucky - Ark Encounter - Life-size Noah's Ark and Museum

September – Day Trip – To Be Determined

December – Day Trip – Christmas show at Quality Hill

WAYS TO GIVE TO TRINITY

By personal check:

Mail it to- Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21st Street, Topeka, KS 66604

Online-Bank Bill Payment:

A service offered by most financial institutions, which creates automatic recurring or one-time gift payments electronically from your bank account. Designate Trinity as payee, and have payments sent to:

Trinity Presbyterian Church
4746 SW 21st Street Topeka, KS 66604

Online-Trinity Giving:

You can find this option on Trinity's website at

www.trinitypresbyterian.net.

Select the "Give" tab in the upper right portion of the screen and follow the instructions. Special Offering can also be designated.

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Please keep in prayer all of our friends and family. If you are in special need of prayer or a phone call, or would like yourself, family member, or loved one added to our prayer list, please email the church office or contact Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Kathy Welch (Parish Nurse), or Cathy Armstrong (Deacon Moderator). It is also helpful if you let us know if they or you would like pastoral care.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Mere

JANUARY 2022

SUNDAY DEC. 2

Liturgist: Jan Allen

NO CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sermon on the Steps:

USHERS: Marvin Burris & Dennis Williams

9:30 AM SUNDAY

SCHOOL for ALL AGES in

-person & online

10:30 AM - 11:30

AM WORSHIP SERVICE -

In Person/Online

MONDAY DEC 3

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM Sticks

'N String Group (Parlor)

TUESDAY DEC 4

NO Line Dance Lesson

9:00 AM Tuesday's with

the Word (Cafe Quetzal)

12:30 PM - 2:00

PM MISSION CMTE MTG

ZOOM

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM Office

Staff Meeting (P)

4:00 PM - 5:00

PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)

5:00 PM - 6:30

PM DEACON CMTE MTG -

ZOOM

WEDNESDAY DEC 5

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM Mary

Martha Circle (P)

6:45 PM - 8:45 PM Esther

Circle (P) lesson starts at

7pm

THURSDAY DEC 6

Epiphany

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Yoga

for the Young at Heart

(Rm 13/14)

6:00 PM - 8:00

PM PROPERTY CMTE

MTG - ZOOM

6:15 PM - 7:15

PM Handbell Choir

Rehearsal

7:30 PM - 8:30

PM Heritage Choir

Rehearsal (S)

FRIDAY DEC 7

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Feb. 2022

4:00 PM - 5:00

PM Aerobics (Rm 13/14)

SATURDAY, DEC 8

2:00 PM - 5:00

PM Friendship Squares

Dance (FH,K) set 1pm



**“Resolution One:
I will live for God.
Resolution Two:
If no one else does,
I still will.”**

— Jonathan Edwards

**HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO YOU AND YOURS!**



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